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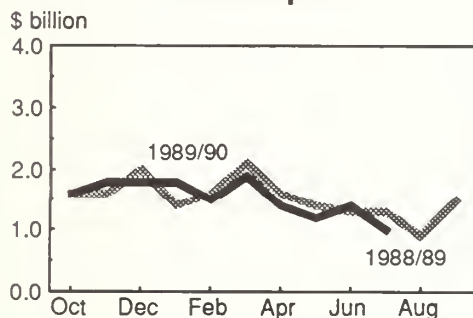
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U.S. Agricultural Trade Update

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Trade Surplus



July Trade Surplus Plummets - July's agricultural trade surplus fell to \$965 million, the lowest level since August 1989. Exports dropped 14 percent to less than \$2.8 billion, while imports slipped 1 percent to \$1.8 billion. The cumulative trade surplus for October 1989-July 1990 totaled \$15.5 billion, 2 percent below the same period a year ago (table 3).

Exports Down in July - U.S. agricultural exports fell seasonally in July to \$2.8 billion, \$468 million below the previous month. Decreases in corn, soybeans, wheat, tree nuts, cotton, tobacco, vegetables, soybean meal, and rice more than offset increases in butter, grain sorghum, and beef. October-July exports totaled \$34.5 billion, 2 percent above the same period a year earlier.

Corn export volume declined 27 percent to 3.8 million tons valued at \$465 million. Japan was the largest market, taking 1.6 million tons. Shipments to the Soviet Union fell from 2.2 million tons the previous month to 145,000 tons. Other major corn markets included Korea, Mexico, and Taiwan. Average export unit values were unchanged at \$124 a ton.

Wheat exports fell 9 percent during July to 2.2 million tons valued at \$304 million. China replaced the Soviet Union as the largest U.S. wheat market, taking 500,000 tons, followed by Japan, Korea, the Philippines, and Sri Lanka. The wheat export unit value fell \$3 a ton to \$139.

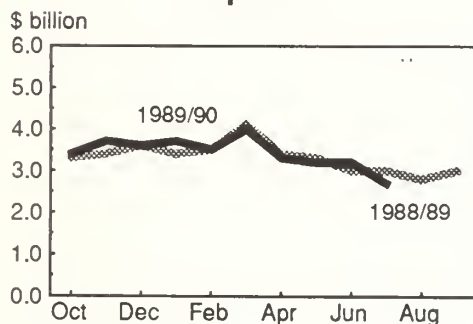
Soybean exports plunged 41 percent in volume from the previous month to 563,000 tons valued at \$134 million. Japan, Mexico, Taiwan, and Korea were the largest markets in July. The EC market,

which had taken 1.3 million tons in March, virtually disappeared in July. The average export unit value for soybeans was unchanged at \$238 a ton. *Soybean meal* exports fell 31 percent below the previous month to 262,000 tons. Mexico became the largest market, taking 67,000 tons. Average export unit values for soybean meal fell \$1 a ton to \$222.

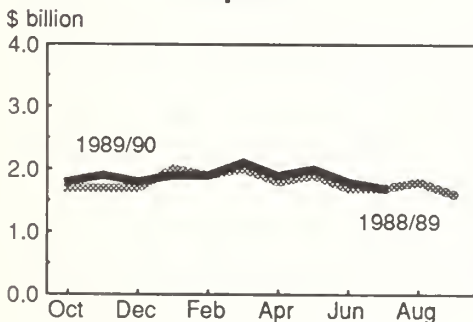
Cotton exports decreased 18 percent to 96,000 tons, bringing the fiscal 1990 total to 1.5 million tons. The largest U.S. cotton markets in July were Japan, Korea, China, and Indonesia. Cotton export unit values edged down slightly to \$1,636 a ton.

Agricultural imports were \$1.8 billion in July, down 1 percent from the previous month. Decreases in cattle, rubber, beef, vegetables, and coffee more than offset gains in tobacco, pork, and sugar. The cumulative import figure for October-July reached \$19.1 billion, \$1 billion or 5 percent above the same period a year ago. Based on the pace thus far, the import forecast for fiscal 1990 was raised another \$500 million to \$22.5 billion. (Stephen R. Milmo, 202-786-1822)

Exports



Imports



Canada and Mexico Lead Major Suppliers - Canada and Mexico were the largest suppliers of agricultural commodities to the United States during October-July. These countries benefited from increased demand for meat, livestock, fruits, and vegetables. Brazil and Colombia are also major suppliers, but are feeling the effects of low coffee prices. A rapid increase in fruit shipments--particularly grapes--made Chile one of the largest suppliers to the United States (table 4).

Table 1--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity group and unit	October-July				July			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1988/89	1989/90	1988/89	1989/90	1989	1990	1989	1990
Total agricultural exports (NA)	--	--	33,871,164	34,514,062	--	--	2,966,036	2,766,293
Animals and animal products (NA)	--	--	5,476,319	5,472,618	--	--	529,942	558,219
Animals live - excl poultry (NA)	--	--	385,990	300,091	--	--	16,014	17,568
Cattle and calves - live (NO)	233	104	140,547	75,919	8	7	5,765	6,614
Horses, mules, burros-live (NO)	31	65	183,327	177,348	3	6	7,187	6,736
Swine - live (NO)	168	51	19,872	8,640	3	3	714	750
Sheep and lambs, live (NO)	287	345	10,442	11,263	10	40	264	1,164
Other live animals (NA)	--	--	31,802	26,921	--	--	2,084	2,303
Meats and meat products (MT)	715	726	1,979,197	2,019,895	84	69	203,206	207,131
Beef and veal (MT)	285	300	1,197,541	1,219,466	38	29	123,538	132,560
Beef and veal - fresh or froz (MT)	279	293	1,178,278	1,192,065	37	29	120,679	129,519
Beef - prepared or preserved (MT)	6	7	19,263	27,401	1	1	2,859	3,041
Horsemeat-fresh, chill, froz (MT)	47	45	103,579	119,388	4	4	9,090	11,612
Pork (MT)	70	77	251,806	293,557	7	5	23,942	22,355
Pork - fresh or frozen (MT)	59	64	227,012	262,380	6	4	21,665	19,896
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	10	13	24,795	31,178	1	1	2,277	2,459
Variety meats, edible offals (MT)	247	200	363,242	300,864	27	22	39,828	31,624
Other meats - fresh or prep (MT)	66	106	63,029	86,619	7	9	6,808	8,981
Poultry and poultry products (NA)	--	--	605,272	707,596	--	--	60,595	64,768
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	65,810	78,647	--	--	7,399	7,684
Baby chicks (NO)	30,424	32,722	57,945	65,080	2,731	4,064	5,810	6,744
Other live poultry (NA)	--	--	7,865	13,567	--	--	1,590	940
Poultry meats (MT)	357	470	427,701	523,852	37	38	44,032	46,487
Chickens - fresh or froz (MT)	320	424	373,450	433,609	32	34	37,469	35,791
Turkeys - fresh or frozen (MT)	15	16	18,125	20,897	2	1	2,062	1,804
Other poultry - fresh or froz (MT)	11	11	13,882	12,485	1	1	1,425	993
Poultry meats - prep or pres (MT)	11	19	22,244	56,860	1	2	3,076	7,899
Feathers and downs, crude (MT)	2	1	27,826	27,233	0	0	3,303	3,627
Eggs (NA)	--	--	83,935	77,864	--	--	5,861	6,969
Dairy products (NA)	--	--	392,768	300,958	--	--	42,005	63,696
Evap & condensed milk (MT)	13	3	20,223	2,687	2	0	2,608	295
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	119	13	121,317	18,941	18	1	13,373	669
Butter & anhydrous milkfat (MT)	14	62	22,737	96,786	6	30	9,792	46,935
Cheese (MT)	11	10	24,936	29,188	1	1	1,795	2,922
Whey, fluid or dried (NA)	--	--	40,785	28,624	--	--	3,144	3,231
Other dairy products (NA)	--	--	162,770	124,733	--	--	11,293	9,645
Fats, oils, and greases (MT)	1,127	1,064	441,148	389,368	102	96	37,915	35,906
Lard (MT)	52	39	25,264	18,160	4	3	2,138	1,315
Tallow - inedible (MT)	897	848	336,870	295,223	81	71	28,690	24,335
Other animal fats & oils (MT)	178	177	79,014	75,985	17	22	7,088	10,257
Hides and skins, incl furs (NA)	--	--	1,447,434	1,518,858	--	--	149,098	146,408
Cattle hides - whole (NO)	22,127	20,881	1,146,607	1,139,826	2,403	1,981	123,123	120,714
Other cattle hides - pieces (NA)	--	--	28,174	31,931	--	--	2,643	3,761
Other hides & skins, ex furs (NA)	--	--	138,374	191,177	--	--	14,687	16,047
Furskins (NA)	--	--	134,279	155,923	--	--	8,644	5,885
Mink pelts (NO)	2,765	4,920	82,912	110,599	248	172	5,763	4,210
Other furskins (NA)	--	--	51,368	45,324	--	--	2,881	1,675
Wool and mohair (MT)	6	7	35,512	28,561	0	0	3,202	802
Sausage casings (MT)	8	8	24,073	28,093	1	1	2,809	2,483
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	40,166	51,958	--	--	4,470	5,952
Misc animal prods - other (NA)	--	--	124,758	127,240	--	--	10,627	13,504
Grains and feeds (MT)	96,958	97,198	14,187,834	13,548,460	9,077	7,596	1,355,736	1,078,049
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	30,070	22,732	4,795,592	3,542,195	3,717	2,180	584,930	303,684
Wheat flour (MT)	884	770	187,361	180,534	36	44	8,929	9,828
Bulgur wheat (MT)	39	15	9,090	2,708	3	1	616	173
Other wheat products (MT)	9	13	8,347	12,379	1	1	924	1,275
Rice-paddy, milled, parboiled (MT)	2,591	2,154	805,381	718,565	270	113	92,857	36,354
Feed grains and products (MT)	53,429	61,491	6,530,688	7,137,488	4,269	4,362	513,406	542,660
Feed grains (MT)	53,100	61,104	6,425,584	7,030,831	4,230	4,331	500,561	533,234
Barley (MT)	1,336	1,636	167,544	189,945	210	211	25,989	24,681
Corn (MT)	45,075	53,282	5,491,543	6,148,832	3,382	3,751	404,495	464,932
Grain sorghums (MT)	6,587	6,175	755,108	690,658	636	368	69,667	43,515
Oats (MT)	8	9	1,092	1,170	1	1	203	80
Rye (MT)	94	3	10,297	228	1	0	207	26
Feed grain products (MT)	329	386	105,104	106,657	39	31	12,845	9,426
Popcorn (MT)	61	59	34,739	34,200	7	6	3,847	3,526
Blended food products (MT)	175	192	54,865	58,186	8	36	2,504	11,268
Other grain products (MT)	371	517	209,592	325,283	24	40	21,993	39,352
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	9,330	9,256	1,552,178	1,536,921	741	812	125,729	129,929
Corn by-products (MT)	4,483	4,606	664,563	644,771	350	450	49,771	57,369
Alfalfa meal and cubes (MT)	462	448	68,271	69,877	64	51	9,515	8,110
Beet pulp (MT)	594	468	75,503	58,182	43	29	5,700	4,090
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	690	457	82,763	51,560	9	1	1,104	153
Other feeds and fodders (MT)	3,101	3,277	661,078	712,532	275	280	59,637	60,208
Fruits and preps, excl juices (MT)	1,791	1,873	1,291,458	1,481,520	169	199	138,323	185,068
Fruits - fresh (MT)	1,530	1,588	946,452	1,083,102	144	169	103,693	144,749
Fruits - fresh citrus (MT)	926	828	505,444	479,135	59	52	36,530	30,124
Grapefruit - fresh (MT)	460	268	223,486	150,091	15	9	8,175	5,170
Lemons and limes - fresh (MT)	121	117	82,456	87,711	13	11	9,940	8,246
Oranges and tangerines-fresh (MT)	341	443	196,803	240,711	31	32	18,387	16,676
Fruits - fresh noncitrus (MT)	604	760	441,007	603,967	85	117	67,163	114,624
Apples - fresh (MT)	230	315	116,122	158,158	9	15	4,487	9,103
Grapes - fresh (MT)	95	91	90,864	104,326	10	16	10,063	19,700
Other noncitrus - fresh (MT)	279	353	234,021	341,482	66	87	52,614	85,821
Fruits - dried (MT)	131	151	210,154	244,980	11	14	18,938	21,720
Raisins - dried (MT)	75	82	117,737	130,866	7	9	12,010	13,559
Prunes - dried (MT)	48	61	76,665	96,786	3	4	5,898	6,794
Other dried fruits (MT)	8	8	15,751	17,328	1	0	1,030	1,367

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Commodity group and unit	October-July				July			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1988/89	1989/90	1988/89	1989/90	1989	1990	1989	1990
Fruits, canned, excl juice (MT)	67	68	68,370	71,675	5	8	4,908	7,719
Fruits - frozen, excl juice (MT)	25	25	24,113	28,997	5	5	5,896	6,196
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	38	41	42,370	52,767	4	3	4,887	4,684
Fruit juices, incl frozen (HL)	4,147	4,764	219,726	266,486	545	571	28,599	31,432
Orange juice (HL)	2,224	2,614	110,807	132,221	361	351	16,624	17,352
Other fruit juices (HL)	1,924	2,151	108,918	134,265	184	220	11,975	14,080
Wine (HL)	437	669	69,860	85,781	62	82	8,169	10,481
Nuts and preparations (MT)	397	489	702,862	785,293	23	28	43,010	46,072
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	130	137	403,980	435,945	9	9	26,814	26,780
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	186	267	140,379	165,948	12	17	8,962	11,088
Walnuts, shelled/unshelled (MT)	62	61	97,171	113,459	1	1	2,532	2,109
Pecans, shelled or unshelled (MT)	3	5	7,859	18,720	0	0	782	1,998
Other nuts, shelled or prep (MT)	16	18	53,473	51,221	1	2	3,920	4,096
Vegetables and preparations (NA)	--	--	1,314,380	1,788,063	--	--	122,693	172,023
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	645	994	312,366	516,845	55	108	24,311	51,120
Celery - fresh (MT)	58	84	18,328	29,514	3	7	1,095	2,171
Cauliflower - fresh (MT)	26	50	15,488	29,797	1	3	720	2,019
Lettuce - fresh (MT)	145	173	45,576	75,908	9	13	2,814	5,241
Onions - fresh (MT)	78	99	21,478	32,013	5	10	1,337	2,953
Potatoes - fresh (MT)	109	129	40,539	53,025	16	24	6,425	10,458
Tomatoes - fresh (MT)	70	96	46,058	63,606	7	15	4,157	8,025
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	158	363	124,899	232,982	14	35	7,761	20,252
Vegetables - frozen (MT)	232	266	173,746	209,625	24	28	18,297	22,248
Corn, sweet, frozen (MT)	46	50	34,102	39,141	4	4	3,231	3,070
Potatoes - frozen (MT)	137	163	92,771	117,137	15	19	10,438	14,346
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	50	54	46,873	53,347	4	4	4,628	4,831
Vegetables - canned (MT)	136	169	120,006	145,710	8	14	7,683	12,267
Pulses (MT)	423	523	231,848	277,749	40	43	23,446	21,792
Dried beans (MT)	292	342	182,692	212,756	26	25	17,495	15,098
Dried peas (MT)	96	131	31,275	41,081	7	11	2,545	2,953
Dried lentils (MT)	35	50	17,881	23,913	6	8	3,406	3,741
Hops, incl hop extract (MT)	11	13	65,766	77,638	1	1	4,910	4,725
Other veg - prep or pres (NA)	--	--	410,648	560,495	--	--	44,047	59,871
Oilseeds and products (MT)	19,289	21,445	6,052,732	5,437,906	757	976	253,166	289,997
Oilcake and meal (MT)	4,596	4,206	1,274,173	906,832	151	287	38,855	61,341
Soybean meal (MT)	4,478	4,061	1,253,976	884,445	149	262	38,501	58,047
Other oilcake and meal (MT)	118	146	20,196	22,386	1	26	353	3,294
Oilseeds (MT)	13,562	16,129	4,075,610	3,837,259	480	593	141,781	157,923
Soybeans (MT)	13,132	15,704	3,838,055	3,576,381	446	563	123,333	134,272
Sunflowerseeds (MT)	78	87	41,168	47,599	5	5	2,715	3,293
Peanuts, incl oilstock (MT)	49	59	40,175	41,580	2	4	1,280	2,606
Other oilseeds (MT)	249	219	72,988	61,483	22	13	5,842	4,250
Protein substances (MT)	54	60	83,224	110,216	5	8	8,612	13,501
Vegetable oils (MT)	1,131	1,109	702,949	693,815	126	96	72,530	70,733
Soybean oil (MT)	551	516	303,468	279,346	74	56	38,371	36,116
Cottonseed oil (MT)	123	147	63,019	70,627	18	8	8,427	5,120
Sunflower oil (MT)	168	144	84,904	76,695	8	6	4,637	3,262
Corn oil (MT)	143	153	89,472	97,942	15	9	8,544	7,059
Other veg oils & waxes (MT)	147	149	162,086	169,206	12	17	12,551	19,177
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	188	198	1,144,207	1,237,348	7	9	47,956	56,248
Tobacco - light air-cured (MT)	46	46	320,284	319,928	2	2	11,504	14,187
Tobacco - flue cured (MT)	98	113	642,656	745,094	3	5	19,889	33,192
Other tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	44	39	181,266	172,325	2	2	16,563	8,868
Cotton, excluding linters (MT)	1,224	1,458	1,706,210	2,366,122	196	96	288,592	157,023
Cotton linters (MT)	44	33	17,269	13,719	3	2	1,347	1,011
Essential oils (MT)	11	12	145,365	157,097	1	1	12,892	12,766
Seeds - field and garden (MT)	364	392	421,595	474,093	55	33	32,478	27,350
Sugar and tropical products (MT)	--	--	587,924	674,205	--	--	40,136	65,961
Sugar and related prods (MT)	--	--	221,944	315,784	--	--	16,783	38,633
Sugar - cane or beet (MT)	271	368	96,800	153,506	19	40	7,122	17,689
Related sugar prods (MT)	--	--	125,144	162,278	--	--	9,662	20,944
Coffee (MT)	15	14	72,483	80,594	2	1	5,425	5,290
Cocoa (MT)	7	69	16,674	37,045	1	2	1,072	3,893
Chocolate and preparations (MT)	40	47	127,605	146,459	4	3	9,921	10,008
Tea and mate' (MT)	5	8	21,150	34,349	1	1	2,625	3,294
Spices (MT)	7	9	22,391	27,337	1	1	2,075	2,483
Rubber - crude natural (MT)	29	17	48,509	29,714	1	1	2,051	1,960
Other misc veg prods (MT)	32	25	171,468	193,739	2	2	11,989	13,740
Nursery and greenhouse products (NA)	--	--	92,901	159,696	--	--	7,694	10,874
Beverages, excl juices (NA)	--	--	269,054	371,916	--	--	43,516	49,980
Selected non-ag exports (NA)	--	--	9,319,203	10,639,070	--	--	1,303,370	1,293,920
Fertilizers (NA)	--	--	2,332,320	2,113,052	--	--	304,763	258,725
Fish and shellfish (MT)	518	653	1,778,836	2,000,280	88	126	427,033	416,560
Fish - fresh or prepared (MT)	293	453	1,028,205	1,150,156	75	95	359,535	341,201
Shellfish (MT)	95	126	506,794	630,135	6	9	30,925	40,744
Other fish products (MT)	131	74	243,837	219,989	7	22	36,573	34,616
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	229	208	1,180,888	1,149,390	19	20	121,039	88,632
Fungicides (MT)	23	20	133,677	149,230	2	2	9,518	15,565
Herbicides (MT)	117	106	604,258	565,697	9	12	57,750	32,384
Insecticides (MT)	59	53	260,874	209,704	5	4	32,012	20,521
Other pesticides (MT)	30	29	182,078	224,759	3	2	21,759	20,162
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	1,352,051	1,742,573	--	--	168,050	160,610
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	34	29	465,814	592,700	2	2	61,547	57,806
Other ag machinery & parts (NA)	--	--	886,236	1,149,872	--	--	106,503	102,804
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	2,675,108	3,633,775	--	--	282,485	369,394

Preliminary data. NA = Not available. Zeroes in quantity columns represent none or less than 500 units.

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity and unit	October-July				July			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1988/89	1989/90	1988/89	1989/90	1989	1990	1989	1990
Total agricultural imports (NA)	--	--	18,098,355	19,060,047	--	--	1,695,190	1,801,603
Noncompetitive agr. imports (NA)	--	--	5,220,639	4,745,417	--	--	531,052	447,924
Bananas and plantains (MT)	2,552	2,703	715,576	774,388	272	266	75,783	75,568
Coffee, including products (MT)	838	1,135	2,018,947	1,747,777	104	91	233,958	149,983
Cocoa and products (MT)	470	597	806,265	868,273	39	55	61,907	88,580
Tea and mate' (MT)	76	74	111,018	129,996	8	6	11,583	11,594
Spices (MT)	91	89	245,690	203,886	10	8	28,791	22,080
Rubber & allied gums-crude (MT)	789	695	921,425	587,000	78	61	82,801	49,952
Silk - raw (MT)	0	0	9,270	10,102	0	0	1,431	1,062
Wool, unmanufactured-carpet (MT)	14	12	50,003	38,126	1	1	3,825	2,694
Fibers, excluding cotton (MT)	71	79	34,045	35,853	7	8	3,466	3,519
Essential oils (MT)	13	31	117,158	123,667	1	1	10,415	13,126
Drugs - crude - natural (MT)	43	50	185,483	225,777	3	8	16,955	29,766
Other noncompetitive imports (NA)	--	--	5,760	573	--	--	136	0
Competitive agricult imports (NA)	--	--	12,877,716	14,314,630	--	--	1,164,138	1,353,678
Animals and animal products (NA)	--	--	4,130,227	4,608,903	--	--	375,545	460,209
Animals-live, excl. poultry (NO)	2,153	2,617	640,263	912,749	100	174	22,923	60,795
Cattle - live (NO)	1,079	1,764	499,886	782,517	23	95	15,433	50,095
Horses & mules - live (NO)	8	10	49,005	46,055	0	1	2,774	3,005
Swine - live (NO)	927	808	85,017	82,181	36	62	3,639	7,458
Sheep - live (NO)	109	20	5,595	1,465	30	4	914	201
Other live animals (NO)	30	14	759	531	10	12	162	35
Meats and prods exc. poultry (M)	922	944	2,037,722	2,348,310	91	102	209,749	256,292
Beef and veal (MT)	560	622	1,271,865	1,524,671	62	64	145,637	152,537
Beef & veal-fresh/frozen (MT)	503	558	1,122,374	1,338,500	56	59	125,624	136,743
Beef & veal-prep or pres (MT)	57	65	149,491	186,171	7	5	20,013	15,794
Pork (MT)	318	281	657,329	724,993	24	35	53,075	94,338
Pork - fresh or frozen (MT)	204	184	334,099	380,199	15	24	27,210	55,522
Pork-prepared, preservd (MT)	114	97	323,231	344,794	9	10	25,865	38,816
Mutton, goat, & lamb (MT)	17	15	35,047	32,641	2	1	4,482	2,938
Horsemeat - fr or froz (MT)	16	15	34,331	32,641	2	1	4,482	2,938
Variety meats-fresh/froz (MT)	10	9	16,816	14,978	1	1	1,518	2,006
Other meats-fresh or froz(MT)	3	1	21,055	8,430	0	0	1,435	453
Other meats & products (MT)	14	15	35,590	42,549	2	1	3,602	4,020
Poultry and products (NA)	--	--	105,699	108,292	--	--	11,919	9,439
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	12,400	12,835	--	--	1,272	1,099
Poultry meat (MT)	4	3	12,372	15,207	0	0	899	1,422
Eggs (NA)	--	--	19,863	21,180	--	--	3,011	2,348
Feathers & downs - crude (MT)	10	11	61,065	59,070	1	1	6,737	4,570
Dairy products (NA)	--	--	685,054	801,227	--	--	78,713	99,437
Milk & cream, fres/dried (MT)	13	14	14,073	15,364	1	1	711	848
Butter & butterfat mixt (MT)	2	2	3,112	3,618	0	0	178	225
Cheese (MT)	93	119	292,184	365,251	10	13	29,461	38,622
Casein & mixtures (MT)	61	80	285,589	364,704	9	12	43,538	53,569
Other dairy products (NA)	--	--	90,096	52,290	--	--	4,825	6,173
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	12	15	11,885	12,391	1	2	1,542	1,381
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	--	--	211,466	116,435	--	--	8,484	7,731
Sheep & lamb skins (MT)	6	6	32,680	28,908	0	0	1,660	2,063
Oth hides & skins ex fur (NA)	--	--	55,571	53,102	--	--	4,629	5,200
Furskins (NA)	--	--	123,214	34,425	--	--	2,195	469
Wool-unmfg, apparel grades (MT)	42	29	241,195	124,102	5	1	19,507	7,277
Sausage casings (MT)	13	11	58,907	44,291	2	1	8,749	4,928
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	2,946	2,612	--	--	145	302
Misc. animal products (NA)	--	--	135,090	138,494	--	--	13,812	12,627
Grains, products, & feeds (MT)	2,851	2,876	934,087	981,653	277	274	89,837	96,086
Wheat, excluding seed (MT)	223	315	40,043	48,666	17	23	3,028	3,418
Corn, unmilled (MT)	43	32	17,957	4,025	6	3	676	409
Oats, unmilled (MT)	963	895	132,508	88,147	111	84	12,846	8,213
Barley, unmilled (MT)	210	221	36,850	36,837	12	7	2,220	1,115
Rice (MT)	101	120	48,265	60,654	11	12	5,735	5,868
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	122	132	251,184	279,397	13	13	24,908	28,241
Pasta & noodles (MT)	103	119	87,754	108,531	12	13	10,325	12,338
Other grains & preps (NA)	--	--	141,120	141,540	--	--	12,582	14,025
Feeds & fodders ex oilcake (MT)	860	824	178,408	213,857	73	89	17,517	22,458
Fruits & preparations (MT)	1,710	1,784	972,897	1,081,693	101	116	65,795	82,208
Fruits - fresh or frozen (MT)	1,265	1,334	631,564	726,319	61	65	35,666	43,309
Strawberries fresh o/froz (MT)	39	47	32,835	44,117	2	2	1,020	1,349
Apples, fresh (MT)	112	99	46,645	37,816	12	9	4,105	3,328
Citrus, fresh (MT)	68	75	17,318	20,373	5	9	892	1,106
Grapes, fresh (MT)	277	366	217,004	275,314	0	4	254	2,994
Mangoes, fresh (MT)	41	50	33,774	48,761	12	14	9,200	13,165
Melons, fresh (MT)	484	425	127,144	117,913	3	4	327	980
Pineapples, fresh (MT)	80	96	33,572	40,202	8	11	3,315	4,518
Other fruits- fresh or frozen	165	177	123,271	141,824	19	12	16,553	15,867
Fruits - prepared or preserved	445	449	341,333	355,375	40	51	30,128	38,900
Pineapples-canned or prep (MT)	242	242	142,567	142,814	23	34	12,447	20,597
Other fruits-prep or pres (MT)	202	207	198,766	212,561	17	17	17,681	18,303
Orange juice (HL)	13,309	17,495	459,564	587,635	633	1,361	21,234	55,244
Other fruit juices (HL)	11,482	11,382	257,305	258,908	981	1,760	21,594	38,296
Nuts and preparations (MT)	106	122	260,969	279,169	11	14	28,255	30,970
Brazil nuts (MT)	5	9	12,041	15,317	1	2	2,678	2,691
Cashew nuts (MT)	36	42	162,356	163,010	4	4	16,970	16,570
Chestnuts (MT)	4	4	8,533	10,151	0	0	18	14
Coconut meat (MT)	37	40	31,513	32,346	4	4	2,879	3,034
Filberts (MT)	2	0	6,185	705	0	0	90	17
Macademia nuts (MT)	2	1	16,043	11,354	0	0	2,939	1,647
Pistachio nuts (MT)	1	2	2,234	7,021	0	0	405	274
Other nuts (MT)	21	23	22,063	39,265	1	4	2,274	6,723

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity - continued

Commodity and unit	October-July				July			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1988/89	1989/90	1988/89	1989/90	1989	1990	1989	1990
Vegetables and preparations (NA)	--	--	1,712,437	2,033,439	--	--	122,762	122,999
Vegetables-fresh or frozen (MT)	1,594	1,711	829,166	1,137,913	84	73	44,312	40,185
Tomatoes (MT)	327	365	198,805	382,691	23	17	9,056	6,169
Asparagus (MT)	13	17	16,030	25,113	1	1	1,140	1,242
Beans (MT)	21	19	18,993	22,245	1	0	629	404
Carrots (MT)	44	53	10,430	10,466	0	1	147	123
Cucumbers (MT)	190	187	77,816	74,675	2	3	1,199	1,457
Eggplant (MT)	17	14	8,572	16,921	0	0	17	16
Garlic (MT)	12	17	10,377	16,633	1	2	1,179	1,288
Lettuce (MT)	25	12	8,617	4,527	1	1	344	268
Onions (MT)	151	167	62,087	64,630	5	4	3,150	2,555
Peas, including chickpeas (MT)	41	34	41,059	42,295	3	2	2,741	1,771
Peppers (MT)	123	127	96,136	149,435	6	8	5,548	6,352
Potatoes (MT)	222	245	62,364	74,423	7	9	2,754	3,162
Squash (MT)	74	78	33,979	42,855	1	1	241	103
Other vgs-fresh or froz (MT)	335	377	183,902	211,005	32	26	16,167	15,275
Vegetables-prep or preserv (NA)	--	--	883,270	895,526	--	--	78,450	82,813
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	57	58	115,621	120,825	5	5	11,470	11,158
Mushrooms, canned (MT)	44	39	107,099	98,903	5	4	11,638	10,738
Hops, incl extract (MT)	6	8	24,605	35,167	0	0	11	438
Artichokes - prepared (MT)	11	11	23,205	20,007	2	1	4,796	1,954
Asparagus - prepared (MT)	2	1	3,838	1,878	0	0	181	70
Tomatoes inc paste & sauce(MT)	173	137	147,613	124,452	6	11	5,658	8,543
Waterchestnuts (MT)	25	29	18,858	22,727	4	3	2,821	2,264
Beans and peas, dried (MT)	50	50	27,894	28,307	4	7	2,426	3,677
Oth vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	--	--	414,537	443,260	--	--	39,450	43,970
Sugar and related products (NA)	--	--	755,702	914,399	--	--	107,871	92,149
Sugar - cane and beet (MT)	1,325	1,442	491,451	600,862	181	141	71,719	58,090
Molasses - inedible (MT)	3,749	6,590	52,365	61,187	1,290	855	11,209	6,304
Confectionery products (MT)	64	86	110,882	151,160	9	10	15,442	18,193
Other sugar & related prods (MT)	237	226	101,005	101,189	19	22	9,501	9,562
Spices (MT)	18	18	34,711	25,503	1	2	2,447	2,626
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	139	156	427,332	474,148	20	27	65,682	86,529
Tobacco - filler (MT)	125	145	409,806	459,114	19	24	63,790	84,533
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	12	10	6,313	4,841	2	3	751	987
Other tobacco (MT)	3	1	11,213	10,192	0	0	1,140	1,010
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	11,487	11,135	1,497,916	1,541,033	1,298	1,290	153,917	160,449
Wine (HL)	2,338	2,273	747,203	772,481	202	178	63,386	63,435
Malt beverages (HL)	8,416	8,265	696,537	723,567	1,011	1,052	84,629	92,233
Other beverages (HL)	733	598	54,176	44,985	86	60	5,902	4,781
Oilseeds and products (MT)	1,613	1,706	802,236	811,021	101	165	61,341	77,654
Oilseeds and oilnuts (MT)	364	479	135,532	184,266	11	53	5,855	19,795
Flaxseed (MT)	148	97	50,277	31,815	2	9	777	3,197
Sesameseed (MT)	34	40	30,083	49,852	3	4	3,231	5,285
Other oilseeds and oilnuts (MT)	182	342	55,171	102,599	6	40	1,846	11,312
Oils and waxes-vegetable (MT)	965	979	613,949	587,390	68	91	51,703	54,461
Castor oil (MT)	34	36	30,952	32,856	3	1	2,459	700
Coconut oil (MT)	300	398	148,165	166,687	23	24	10,701	8,252
Olive oil (MT)	74	77	131,114	152,424	10	8	18,988	16,255
Palm oil (MT)	109	98	43,611	26,006	6	8	1,992	2,270
Palm kernel oil (MT)	148	142	81,363	59,906	6	23	3,233	8,228
Other oils and waxes-veg. (MT)	300	228	178,744	149,510	21	27	14,330	18,755
Oilcake and meal (MT)	285	248	52,756	39,366	22	21	3,784	3,398
Cotton, excluding linters (MT)	1	0	3,357	526	0	0	195	105
Cotton linters (MT)	9	27	2,940	16,083	3	1	801	1,265
Seeds - field and garden (MT)	149	163	164,183	147,447	2	4	8,984	7,899
Cut flowers (NA)	--	--	258,511	267,358	--	--	18,698	17,637
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc. (NA)	--	--	110,359	154,518	--	--	5,699	7,402
Other vegetable products (MT)	26	37	92,983	131,193	4	3	13,483	13,951
Selected non-agric. imports (NA)	--	--	8,332,694	8,371,097	--	--	775,351	795,212
Fertilizers (MT) 1/	40,195	13,529	1,437,420	1,229,452	15,017	1,086	75,223	89,593
Potassium (MT)	5,564	5,583	499,716	460,414	107	260	10,385	20,307
Nitrogen (MT) 1/	31,773	4,236	670,765	510,030	14,682	378	40,365	39,621
Phosphate (MT)	2,663	3,693	235,478	255,424	224	447	24,015	29,484
Mixed and org fertilzrs (MT)	155	0	25,125	0	0	0	0	0
Fish and shellfish(MT)	16,801	1,177	4,383,269	4,324,420	122	132	453,637	430,424
Fish - fresh or prepared (MT)	785	786	2,066,163	2,113,890	86	80	227,416	226,208
Shellfish (MT)	294	302	2,257,536	2,165,077	33	27	223,759	194,381
Fish products, other (MT)	15,722	89	59,569	45,453	4	25	2,462	9,835
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	65	85	368,554	470,000	5	6	25,130	32,314
Fungicides (MT)	12	17	47,696	42,196	1	2	2,093	6,770
Herbicides (MT)	14	14	122,591	121,172	1	1	8,921	5,503
Insecticides (MT)	2	3	25,153	31,435	0	0	1,789	2,213
Other pesticides (MT)	37	51	173,114	275,197	3	3	12,327	17,828
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	2,072,086	2,266,875	--	--	214,548	235,573
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	907	1,427	935,168	1,111,642	114	70	98,619	130,216
Other ag mach & parts (NA)	--	--	1,136,918	1,155,233	--	--	115,929	105,357
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	71,366	80,350	--	--	6,812	7,307

1/ Excludes quantity data on anhydrous ammonia in 1989/90. All other statistics are preliminary.
 NA = Not available. Zeroes in quantity columns represent none or less than 500 units.

Table 3--U.S. agricultural trade summary (\$ Million)

Item	May	June	July	FY to date	Chg. fm. prev. yr.
					Percent
Agricultural exports	3,260	3,234	2,766	34,514	1.9
Imports (c.i.f.)	2,139	1,942	1,858	20,912	4.2
Imports (Customs val.)	1,976	1,812	1,802	19,060	5.3
Trade Balance:					
Exports minus cif imports	1,121	1,292	909	13,601	-1.4
Exports minus Customs valued imports	1,283	1,422	965	15,454	-2.0

Preliminary data.

Table 4--Leading suppliers of U.S. agricultural imports

Country	October-July 1988/89	October-July 1989/90	Percent Change
---Million dollars---			
1. Canada	2,295	2,551	11.2
2. Mexico	1,796	2,364	31.6
3. Brazil	1,362	1,288	-5.4
4. Australia	848	941	11.0
5. New Zealand	719	686	-4.6
6. Netherlands	604	675	11.8
7. Colombia	680	674	-0.9
8. France	612	628	2.6
9. Italy	496	564	13.7
10. Indonesia	740	552	-25.4
11. West Germany	450	451	0.2
12. Chile	364	438	20.3
13. Denmark	415	430	3.6
14. Guatemala	266	425	59.8
15. Thailand	371	393	5.9
16. Philippines	374	392	4.8
17. Ecuador	348	359	3.2
18. Spain	343	354	3.2
19. Costa Rica	318	353	11.0
20. Argentina	305	307	0.7

Table 5--U.S. agricultural exports (\$ Million)

Commodity group	May	June	July	FY to date	Change from prev. year
					Percent
Total	3,260	3,234	2,766	34,514	1.9
Live animals	30	24	25	379	-16.2
Meat & preps	282	260	254	2,544	5.7
Dairy prod & eggs	31	38	71	379	-20.5
Animal fats	47	34	36	389	-11.7
Hides & skins	161	148	146	1,519	-4.9
Wheat	294	340	304	3,542	-26.1
Rice	50	52	36	719	-10.8
Corn	667	636	465	6,149	12.0
Other feed grains	92	64	68	882	-5.6
Animal feeds	209	220	191	2,444	-13.5
Soybeans	148	227	134	3,576	-6.8
Vegetable oils	83	90	71	694	-1.3
Horticult. prods.	579	587	522	5,253	22.5
Cotton & linters	209	192	158	2,380	38.1
Tobacco, unmgf.	124	89	56	1,237	8.1

Preliminary data.

Table 6--U.S. agricultural imports (\$ Million, Customs value)

Commodity group	May	June	July	FY to date	Change from prev. year
					Percent
Total	1,976	1,812	1,802	19,060	5.3
Live animals	113	91	62	926	41.8
Meat & preps.	227	262	258	2,364	15.3
Dairy prod, eggs	82	98	102	822	16.7
Grains & feeds	96	93	96	982	5.1
Fruits & nuts	325	284	282	2,982	11.8
Vegetables	3	132	123	2,033	18.7
Vegetable oils	10	60	54	587	-4.3
Wine	167	70	63	772	3.4
Malt beverages	75	90	92	724	3.9
Coffee	162	158	150	1,748	-13.4
Cocoa	123	87	89	868	7.7
Rubber, natural	55	64	50	587	-36.3
Sugar	128	83	58	601	22.2
Tobacco, unmgf.	4	40	87	474	11.0
Seeds, flowers	48	41	33	569	6.8

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